

## **DETAILED ACTION**

### ***Response to Amendment***

This action is responsive to the amendment dated 8/25/2010. Claims 1, 55, 57-59, and 61 are currently pending in the application.

### **EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT**

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Stephen Olson on August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2010.

The application has been amended as follows:

The following paragraph has been inserted in between the paragraph ending at line 10 and the paragraph beginning with "wherein the common actuator is interconnected to the waste ball valve assembly and the water valve assembly by a flexible cable...":

--wherein the common actuator is connected to one of the waste ball valve assembly and the water valve assembly and the waste ball valve assembly is coupled to the water valve assembly such that the common actuator drives the one of the waste ball valve assembly and the water valve assembly, and movement of the one of the waste ball valve assembly and water valve assembly resultantly drives the other of the waste ball valve assembly and the water valve assembly, --

***Allowable Subject Matter***

2. Claims 1, 55, 57-59, and 61 are allowed.
3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: Claim 1 now includes all the limitations of previously cancelled claim 60. Claim 60 was indicated as being allowable if amended to overcome the rejections under 35 U.S.C. 112, 2nd paragraph, and to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims in the office action dated 7/8/2010.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

***Conclusion***

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to KAREN YOUNKINS whose telephone number is (571)270-7417. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday 7:30am to 5pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Gregory Huson can be reached on (571)272-4887. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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